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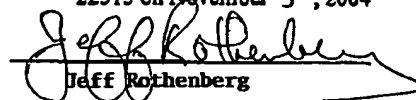
PATENT

Our Docket: Amir/001

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of
Amir and Amir) Group Art Unit: 1654
Serial No.: 10/066,753) Examiner: S. Coe
Filed: February 6, 2002)
For: COSMETIC REPAIR USING)
CARTILAGE PRODUCING CELLS)
AND MEDICAL IMPLANTS)
COATED THEREWITH)

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DECLARATION UNDER 37 U.S.C. SECTION 1.131

Sir:

I, Abraham Amir, declare as follows:

1) I am an inventor named in the above-identified
patent application.

2) I am also a medical doctor, specializing in plastic
and cosmetic surgery.

3) I understand that in the latest Office Action,
claims 1 and 3 to 8 are rejected as allegedly obvious based,
in part, on Brittberg et al., New Eng. J. of Med., 331:889-
895 (1994). Brittberg teaches using transplanting isolated
chondrocytes to treat deep cartilage defects in the knee.
The Office Action takes the position that it would have